

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

OCTOBER 6, 2015

5:30 P. M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Cameron called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Members, Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Member, Ron Jarman, was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Julie Newhouse.

MINUTES: Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of September 15, 2015 as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Pro-Tem reported the following:

1. Thanked everyone that helped with the Wilkie Days celebration.
2. Rush Shelby Energy will have a work day at the Princess Theater on October 9th.
3. There will be an Executive Session of the Board of Works on the 13th at 6:00 for employee reviews.
4. On October 16th there will be a press conference at the City Center.
5. We have not yet chosen a date for the Council and Board of Works retreat.
6. The retention pond is complete.
7. The Farmers Market is almost complete.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police – Chief Tucker said the new dispatcher is now working on her own.

The hours for trick or treating will be from 5:00-8:00 p.m. on Halloween.

Fire – Chief Jenkins handed out month end and year-to-date reports.

Street – Street Commissioner Miller said they used 24 dumpsters for heavy trash. Last spring they used 31 dumpsters.

Monday Crim will be grinding Harrison Street from 4th to 11th on Monday and will be paving on Tuesday.

Miller said the haunted trail will be October 24th & 30th. There will be a meeting tomorrow for volunteers at the Mathews Shelter.

Park – Park Program Director Gurley said they are gathering signatures for the little league, and high school ball contracts.

He and the Police Chief will be giving a Halloween safety program at RES on October 30th.

The Halloween Parade will be October 31st. Lineup will begin at 3:00 p.m. with judging at 4:00 p.m. The event will be at the root building.

Gurley also passed out the survey results.

There will be a meeting with the consulting firm next week regarding the survey and master plan.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **211 North Main Street** – This is being reviewed.
2. **Waggoner Pool Year-End Closeout** – On schedule to be done by the end of the year.
3. **Hire Animal Control Part-Time Employee** – Warden Moran asked permission to hire Chris Jones as a part-time employee. He would work approximately 12 hours per week and start at minimum wage with the option to move to \$8.00 after 60 days. McGowan made a motion to approve hiring Jones per Moran's request. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Executive and Capital Planning Retreat** – Working with the Mayor to schedule.
5. **Broadband Ready Community** – Nothing new.
6. **Fire Department Hiring Process** – Chief Jenkins said they are still accepting packets. Approximately 37 packets have been picked up and 4 have been returned. The deadline is October 12th at 4:00 p.m.
7. **Martin Riley – AIA Contract** – Martin Riley is working with the Mayor.
8. **Farmer's Market** – Nearing completion.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Trees on Main Street** – The Mayor is considering a maintenance policy.
2. **16th Street Pond Update** – The engineers are preparing a report.

3. **Flatrock Retention Pond – Request Legal Drain Status** – The Mayor is working with the County Surveyor.
4. **Animal Shelter Hours Revision** – Moran informed the Board of their revised hours. She is working from 6:30-2:30; Herbert is working from 8:00-4:00. They have a volunteer taking appointment after hours by request.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; Williams made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.